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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF MS. FALCO AND DR. BOURNE TO
AFGHANISTAN

1. THE EMBASSY HAS HEARD THAT THE LONG-AWAITED SPRING TRIP OF MS. MATHEA FALCO AND DR. PETER BOURNE TO AFGHANISTAN MIGHT HAVE TO BE DELAYED FROM APRIL UNTIL "LATE MAY." ALTHOUGH THE EMBASSY REMAINS DELIGHTED AT THE PROSPECT THAT THEIR VISIT IS STILL BEING CONTEMPLATED, THE NEW PROPOSED TIMING CONCERNS US.

2. ACCORDING TO THE LATEST INFORMATION WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM AFGHAN OFFICIALS, THEIR GOVERNMENT IS EXPECTING A VISIT FROM THE SHAH OF IRAN SOMETIME DURING THE LATTER HALF OF MAY OR EARLY IN JUNE. ADDITIONALLY, THE AFGHANS WILL BE HOSTING THE MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MAY 6-10, THE LARGEST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE EVER TO BE HELD IN KABUL. THESE EVENTS WILL COMPLETELY ABSORB THE ATTENTION OF TOP-LEVEL AFGHAN OFFICIALS THROUGHOUT THAT PERIOD, AND, THEREFORE, MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR US TO DEVELOP A USEFUL SCHEDULE FOR MS. FALCO AND DR. BOURNE. A BETTER TIME FOR A KABUL VISIT WOULD BE THE LATTER HALF OF JUNE. PLEASE ADVISE.
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